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MEMORANDUM TO: PROJECTS REVIEW COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Move FBIS Monitoring Station [redacted] 25X1
25X1 [redacted]

1. Scope of Project

FBIS desires to move its present foreign broadcast monitering station [redacted] to [redacted] 25X1 25X1
This monitering station is designed to intercept primarily shortwave broadcasts from Latin America, Russia, China, India and other countries in the Far East. The proposed move is necessary for the following reasons: (a) FBIS is occupying property [redacted] 25X1
25X1 [redacted] which [redacted] would like to obtain for its own uses as soon as possible; (b) for FBIS purposes, more favorable reception can be obtained farther south [redacted] (c) a site with 25X1
buildings especially designed for radio reception has been located at 25X1 [redacted] which radio tests indicate is far superior to the present [redacted] 25X1
25X1 [redacted] site; and (d) it will be possible to consolidate the entire operation under one roof and obtain optimum physical efficiency.

2. Urgency of Completion

The proposed site should be leased as soon as possible in order that the necessary antenna poles can be erected before the beginning of the rainy season [redacted] if these poles are not 25X1
installed before the ground becomes a quagmire of mud, the development of this project will be be delayed by approximately three months.

3. Type of Funds Required

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4. Estimated Cost

a. Number of Personnel

(1) Transfer of entire staff [redacted] to the new 25X1
25X1 location [redacted] with no increase in the existing payroll. There are [redacted] employees involved with a STAT
total annual payroll of [redacted] 25X1

b. New construction additions to present buildings and erection of antennas. The survey made by the Army engineers estimates this cost at approximately [redacted] 25X1

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e. Special Equipment

(1) Receivers, recorders, transcribers and other fittings for a radio receiving station will have to be purchased. New equipment of this type would have to be obtained if FBIS remained [redacted] however, due to serious deterioration as a result of five years' use. Estimated cost [redacted] 25X1 25X1

d. Travel

(1) Trip of CIG representatives to negotiate the lease of the site. Approximate cost [redacted] 25X1

(2) Transfer of personnel and equipment [redacted] at approximate cost of [redacted] 25X1 25X1 25X1

e. Communications

(1) Approximately [redacted] will be saved by means of re-arranging communications facilities between Washington and [redacted] This will reduce the FBIS annual expenditure for this portion of its communication network from [redacted] 25X1 25X1 25X1

f. FBIS rental [redacted] location per year [redacted] 25X1

g. Operational Supplies

(1) Office supplies and replacement parts for radio equipment estimated cost per year [redacted] 25X1

h. Summary of Costs

(1) Cost of move [redacted] 25X1

(2) Annual operating expenses 25X1

The annual operating expenses [redacted] will be [redacted] less than present costs [redacted] 25X1 25X1 25X1

5. Advantages of transferring [redacted] 25X1

a. Greatly improved reception with more comprehensive coverage at increased efficiency.

b. Slightly less overall operating expenses on an annual basis.

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[redacted] 25X1

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